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REMARKS

Claim 30 has been amended, 22-29 have been canceled, and new claims 37-42 have been added. Accordingly, claims 30-31 and 34-42 are pending.

Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Gibson for his thorough examination of the subject application, and his indication that claim 33 is objected to, and would be allowed if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, claim 30 has been amended to include the limitations of allowable claim 33, together with intermediate claim 32, which two claims have been canceled. Thus, claims 30-31 and 34-36 are in allowable condition.

Rejected claims 22-29 have been canceled. Thus the rejection of record, based on prior art, is moot.

New claims 37-42 have been added to recite features shown and disclosed, in particular, in connection with Figs. 12-15. These features include the unique feature of a selectively locatable tab. While it is known in the prior art to be able to selectively locate a tab, this is accomplished by removing the tab from certain slots in the folder and re-inserting it into different slots in that folder. In such prior art systems, the tab location cannot be changed without separating or attaching the tab from the hanging file system, as recited in claims 37 and 40. Thus, new claims 37-42 are clearly allowable over the prior art.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that each of the pending claims are allowable over the prior art of record, and an early notification of allowance is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the number below, should any further questions or issues need

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to be resolved.

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